# WHEN FAIRBANKS HUNTED THE NEWS

He Had Trying Times as an Associated Press Reporter in Smoky Pittsburg.

ALMOST MADE A FAILURE

The Future Vice President Tried to "Cover" Horace Greeley's Speech, Narrowly Missing Being Scooped.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., July 14.—Charles Warren Fairbanks was at one time associated with the newspaper boys in an active capacity. When he graduated from the Ohio Wesleyan University in 1872 he was twenty years of age, and he at once cast about for some means of livelihood. He became a reporter and entered the service of the Associated Press, being assigned to the duty of representing that organization in

Pittsburg, grimy now beyond words, was grimy enough then, and unutterably depressing to a country boy who had just started out to make his own way in the world. Pittsburg then was a much smaller place on the map than it now is, and the Associated Press thought that one representative there was sufficient for its needs. And Fair-banks was the one representative. He had edited a college paper and had in-dulged in dreams of journalistic ambition. Now he had to face the hurlyburly of "covering" the city for news,

### His First Assignment.

Almost his first duty was to "cover" a convention of some sort. The town was invaded by the convention folk, and the new reporter was hard-pressed all day and nearly all night for a week. Right on the heels of the convention came Horace Greeley, who was stumping the country on his Presidential campaign. The new reporter, thoroughly fagged by this convention week, dragged himself around after Greeley, and was on hand for the lat-"great Pittsburg speech."

ing of the stenographic art, but he made employes, and passed out \$2,000,000 in coin friends with the star reporter of a and paper money all in 250 odd working Pittsburg daily and arranged for the days is an achievement worthy of atuse of his proofs after the speech. He tention. went with his friend to the hotel This is what Charles C. Rogers, Dis-where Greeley was staying, and took trict Disbursing Officer, has done during up a position under the balcony from the fiscal year just ended. which the homely and pugnacious edwhich the homely and pugnacious editor-candidate was to address the crowd. Just as Creeley began to speak a light rain began to fall on the upturned faces of the crowd—one of those light Pittsburg rains which fall like mists of ink. The stenographer covered the second of the crowd—one of those light Pittsburg rains which fall like mists of ink. The stenographer covered the crowd—one of those light Pittsburg rains which fall like mists of ink. The stenographer covered the crowd—one of those light Pittsburg rains which fall like mists of ink. The stenographer covered the crowd. Just as Creeley began to speak a light rain began to fall on the upturned faces of the crowd—one of those light Pittsburg rains which fall like mists of ink. The stenographer covered the crowd. the speech, and Fairbanks covered the the year, or over 4,000 a month. stenographer and his precious notes with his umbrella.

Fairbanks had apprehensions, and the stenographer had the notes. The notes ABOUT PEOPLE AND PLACES. seemed rather shaky even to the unpracticed eye, and the stenographer was unquestionably shaky. He had had a hard the crowd thinned, the speech eventually that the supply is everywhere far short banks was to call later at the newspaper office for the proofs. Meanwhile he busied himself about the descriptive two years old, is a park policeman in

## The Editor Chol . ..

ed for the proofs of Greeley's speech. "Speech," yelled the news editor, who requisites to long life. sat on a low platform in the middle of a large room, a sort of island surrounded shown that the fine dust which settles a large room, a sort of island surrounded by heated writers, who were lashing an ocean of "copy." "Speech?" Greeley's speech?" And the editor choked. To this day the vice president remembers that pallid face with the fierce eyes glaring at him under a green shade—a white face with a threatening black are made as dry as practicable. white face with a threatening black are made as dry as practicable. mustache, eyes that bored holes in you "Speech? Greeley's speech? Haven't you got it? We haven't."

As a rule, with few exceptions, the surface of the earth under the oceans is devoid of striking and abrupt con-

in the lurch, and his own discharge, "I ganic and other matter settling down in the lurch, and his own discharge. I through the sea have smoothed down haven't any speech," he added. "Where's the greater part of the subaqueous

continued, after a quizzical pause, as watched the disappointment on Fair-

A blossom blushing where the mountain bowed
Its crest to feel the storms that swept it round.

A modest bloom that, lonesome and re-

Shrank in its beauty that no eye might I thouht, how vain, how useless in its

I thoght, how vain, how useless in its sphere, sphere,
Freighting the air with fragrance where none go.
Through the onrolling circle of the year,
To care how sweet its frail, fair petals blow.
To feel the cryptic beauty that it sheds Here where the stormy mountains lift their heads!

Yet it performs some purpose. Here, indeed,
Its roots have found a shelter not for naught,
But by some act of Providence decreed
This lonesome hillside beauty has been wrought
To shed a fragrance in whose quiet art A comfort dwells to bless some longing heart.

Thus with the souls that dwell amid Too weak for service and too poor to give; Yet all unknowing they may still per-

sunbright dream
Of hope and joy on life's bleak road to
gleam.

—Baltimore Sun.

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### Accounts for Fiscal Year Just Closed Balance to a Penny.

To have disbursed nearly \$10,000,000, personally signed nearly 50,000 checks, Good shorthand reporters in those days were rare. Fairbanks knew nothing the names of between 6,000 and 7,000

The total amount of money placed to affixed more than 50,000 times during the year, or over 4,000 a month.

Mr. Rogers uses at all times his left the office had balanced to the penny.

Aluminum has suddenly come into use for so many purposes where copweek and was worn out. The rain fell, per and brass were formerly employed came to an end, and the stenographer of the demand. The automobile manu-went away to transcribe the notes. Fair- facture is largely responsible for the

matter and an interview with the great Sloux City, Iowa. Recently he visited man, two daughters in Philadelphia, stopping in Chester county, Pa., where he was At the appointed hour Fairbanks appeared at the newspaper office and ask-ficer, "good habits, clear conscience,

"Jones," we will call him Jones, "took it," gasped Fairbanks, who had an instant vision of the Associated Press left the water and the depositing of organic and other methods and other matters. "Gone home," shricked the infuriated earth and left it far from picturesque. Haberdashers now keep plain ribbon am I. We thought you had the ties on reels, the way tape is sold; but instead of having to take the whole speech."

Fairbanks bolted. He ran down the stairs, ran down the street, ran to the office of the Pittsburg Post, explained the case to the editor in charge, who the case to the editor in charge, who said:
"Yes, we have Greeley's speech. But we've given it to the New York World man, who made us promise that you shouldn't have the manuseript. "But," he continued, after a quizzloal pause, as he watched the disappointment on Yet. Dr. Chauvel, medical inspector of the French army, deals a heavy blow at the popular surgical treatment of appropriate that good editor who helped him out of a bad hole.

THE QUIET LIFE.

Far wandering from the murmur of the crowd.

The tides of time and circumstance, all bossom blushing where the mountain howers.

A blossom blushing where the mountain howers. Dr. Chauvel, medical inspector of the

were lost.

Locusts are devastating southern Algeria. The swarms are so great as almost to defy imagination. It is not easy to conceive of an almost solid phalanx of insects 125 miles long by six miles wide. Unfortunately, the devastation which such myriads of voracious insects must create in vegetation is not so difficult to appreciate. Wherever the host has passed nothing green remains. Even the houses are becoming uninhabitable. The Oran province seems doomed for this year.

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Professor Hansteen, of the Agricultural School at Aas, Norway, finds that a greenish-white moss common in that country can be converted into delicious and nutritious food by being subjected to a chemical process, compressed and cooked. He says that the ounces of moss, costing 2 cents, with make a good dinner for six persons—which is evidence that his zeal outruns his discretion, inasmuch as an ounce and a half tion, inasmuch as an ounce and a half of food is not enough to make a sub-stantial meal for a normal man or

woman.

A missionary recently returned from the region of upper Congo, in Africa, says that he saw there a curious platform thirty feet high erected in front of the head sentry's house. The latter informed the missionary that it was a large stage from which to shoot leopards, but natives told him that it was a torture platform. Unfortunates who did not bring in sufficient quantities of rubber were first beaten, sometimes almost ber were first beaten, sometimes almo Some tender mission when they merely live—
Some thought compelling and some sunbright dream
Of hope and joy on life's bleak road to gleam, —Baltimore Sun.

ber were lifst beaten, sometimes almost to death, and then taken to the top of the structure and compelled to gaze at the sun until relatives brought the necessary amount of rubber as redemption.

A gentleman traveling in Europe en-

ton.

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JNO. CALLAHAN,

gaged the services of a courier. Arriving at an inn in Austria the travelet asked his servant to enter his name in accordance with the police regulations of that country. The man replied that he had already anticipated the order and registered him as an American genticman of means. "But how did you write my name?" asked the master. "I can't exactly pronounce it; but I copied it carefully from your portmanteau, sir." "But it was not there," was the reply. "Bring me the book." The register was brought and revealed, instead of a very plain English name of two syllables, the following portentous entry: "Monsieus Warranted oSlid Leather."

## ENGINEERS AND POLITICIANS.

A citizen of Memphis who wanted a drink went into a saloon in the vicinity of the meeting place of the Brotherhood of Engineers day before yester-day, rather expecting to find a good surprise he was the only seeker for a ent. The saloon was deserted. Thinking that perhaps the men of the throttle had found a more congenial rendezvous, he, as a matter of curiosity, visited all the other saloons in the vicinity, and he found in none of them any evidence whatever that there was a single engineer in Memphis.

Nothing, perhaps, could throw a brighter light on the character of the engineers of the United States than this incident. If a like number of politicians had assembled in Memphis to attend a convention all the saloons of this city would be holding overflow meetings.—Memphis Commercial Appears and the commercial Appears and the commercial Appears and the commercial Appears are conventionally assembled to the saloons of this city would be holding overflow meetings.—Memphis Commercial Appears are conventionally commercial Appears are conventionally commercial Appears and the commercial Appears are conventionally commercial Appears and the commercial Appears are conventionally conventionally conventions. The convention convention and convention convention and convention convention and convention conventions are conventionally conventions. The convention convention convention are conventionally convention convent ent. The saloon was deserted. Think-

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board of control of Rock Creek Park.

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